

CONVENTION OF MAINE FEDERATION OF LABOR

ORGANIZING NATION'S BIG STEEL INDUSTRY

A. F. of L. Executive Council Will Have Full Charge Campaign—Broadest Possible Industrial Policy Will Be Applied, With Jurisdictional Rights of National and International Unions Adequately Protected—Contributions Asked of Affected Unions.

**MAINE AT ITS BEST IN BETWEEN-
SEASON STAGE FOLLOWING DORMANT
MONTHS AND RECENT DAMAGING FLOOD**

A. F. of L. President Strongly Endorses President Roosevelt

to continue" L. St. Germain told reporters this morning. But J. R. Roosevelt, candor was his own—that he could not speak for the Federation.

St. Germain said he urged all A. F. of L. unions to adhere to the Federation's "traditional non-partisan policy."

"The training and experience of labor and the lessons which it has learned in the past," he said, "lead unions at that time," all lead to the conclusion that the Federation and the labor will be able to proceed through a strict adherence to the traditional non-partisan policy of the Federation of Labor."

A prominent and interested attendant at the meeting was J. J. Connelley, who had addressed the conference. She urged the delegates to acquire the fundamental knowledge of the social and economic problems of the day so as to be better equipped to render aid to the workers. She commended trade unions and upheld their value to the members and to the community.

The closing sessions of the Maine State Federation of Labor, to be in Calais from June 8th to 11th, will be held at the Hotel Calais, on the border town of Maine. During three-day stay in Calais and Wiscasset, the delegates will view the beautiful Canadian city of Moncton, especially accessible to any of the delegates, and will receive a presentation of proper credentials to the various labor organizations of the province. The trip is the longest of the kind ever made by the Federation of Labor of the States and Canada, and how easily it can be made by the delegates in the proper use of the automobile, the thorough and understanding, was the subject of the conference. The attention of the delegates was directed to the border and the importance of the border as a cause of jealousy, misapprehensions and hatreds that end in war.

There is marked improvement in the most every line of business conducted during the past year, it is indicated.

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Guffy Coal Act Decision Hurtful to National Textile Act

RHODE ISLAND IS TWELFTH STATE IN NATION TO ADOPT UNEMPLOYMENT

COMPENSATION INSURANCE LEGISLATION

Employers Contribute .09 Per Cent on Pay Rolls for 1935

Employers Contribute .09 Per Cent on Pay Rolls for 1937, 1.8 Per Cent in 1937, and 2.7 Per Cent Thereafter—Employees' Share is 1 Per Cent in 1937 and 1.5 Per Cent Thereafter—Maximum Pay of \$15 for 20 Weeks—Joint H. Powers Labor Representative on Commission.

With the passage by Rhode Island of a State unemployment compensation law, twelve States and the District of Columbia now have such legislation. (Continued on Page 8)

The other States are Alabama, California, Indiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin.

Rhode Island's legislation on this subject followed an intensive study of unemployment compensation made by

Robert Fechner, Director of the
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The provisions of Rhode Island's law are, in the main, similar to those found in other State enactments. Rhode Island is the tenth jurisdiction to adopt the completely pooled type of 350,000. The CCC is 26,000 of this figure.

Mr. Fechner said that public would not be extended beyond infirmary jobs; that places are open. "We are not lowering our standards and the best of the

of unemployment compensation fund. Contributions to this fund are made both by employers and employees. An employer who has four or more persons on his pay roll for twenty days, each day in a different calendar week in the year, contributes 0.9 per cent of the total wages paid to his employees. Employees contribute 0.5 per cent of their wages. Boys under 18 years of age are exempt from the requirement that their parents must come from families dependent on public welfare aid for their support, stated.

The Director indicated that increases in the number of jobs available in the private industry and the hiring of new workers would be the primary factor in reducing the unemployment rate.

cent of his pay roll for the year 1936, his contribution to be no less, however, than 90 per cent of his Federal tax for the year. In 1937, he contributes 1.8 per cent of his payroll, and in 1938 and thereafter 2.7 per cent.

Pres. D'Avignon Calls Meeting of State Br. Ex. Board for June

the above date sent notifications
all members of the Council of su
meetings to be held at the Hotel
Croix, Calais, Me., June 8th at 3
p. m.

**Pres. Green Highly
Commends V. F. W.
Annual Poppy Da**

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, has given his hearty endorsement of the Veterans of Foreign Wars 1936 Blue Poppy Sale to raise relief work funds.

"I am in hearty sympathy with plans for this sale of Buddy Popp

It is not too much to ask that every good citizen display the Poppy badge

Memorial Day, as the crimson flow
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that we have not forgotten what
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hope that: "This government of people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."
Wear a Buddy Poppy. Honor dead by helping the living, and

Poppy Day is also strongly endorsed by the Maine State Federation of Labor, through its secretary, Clarence R. Burgess, who wishes all the Veterans of Foreign Wars, many of whom

members are affiliated with various Labor unions throughout the State, successful in their annual effort to secure funds for needy and afflicted members.

ment, deinstitution, disorganization. We have participated in attempts to establish standards of employment

"How can we get a better agreement between labor and government?" (Continued on Page 8)

STRIKE MAY BE CALLED TO ENFORCE

WAGE RAISE AND 35-HOUR WEEK IN WOOLEN AND WORSTED INDUS

eration—Action of Executive Board, in Session May 1914, in Providence, Pursuant to Pronouncement Made at the 1913 Passaic Convention to Organize Entire Industry Means for Stabilizing Wages, Working Hours and Chinese Load.

Providence, Rhode Island, May 15.—The executive council of the Woolen and Worsted Federation of America, affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America, meeting in emer-

gency session at the national headquarters, 341 Weybosset street, Providence, last Sunday, made plans to prepare the Federation for a general strike to stabilize and bring about uniformity in the industry by the establishment of a 35-hour work week

The council decided not to make public the program of preparations. President Henry Jennings of Manchester, N. H., stated after the meeting that the details of the program

had been left in the hands of the council members, who will report at another meeting to be held within the next six weeks.

President Thomas F. McMahon and Vice-President Horace A. Riviere of the international executive board of the "American Chisellers' Union," speaker at the session, which at 10 a. m., urged a drastic plan "to drive the 'chisellers' from industry, and also bring into the unemployed who have been added on the relief rolls because of the depression."

The U. T. W. of A. attended the session to explain the general strike recommendations made at the New York meeting of the officers. A telegram voicing regrets for his inability to be present, but placing himself on record as supporting the union's position, was read. The machine load increases were discussed and it was stated that these unemployed workers were known to have been employed in the wooden and worsted industries in 1933. He invited to become part of the U. T. W. of A. (Continued on Page 8)

TRANSPORTATION BAN ON STRIKEBREAKERS FAVORI

BY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Washington, D. C. May 15 (APL) — The Judiciary of the Supreme Court today announced that it will hear arguments on both, in the discretion of the court."

The Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives submitted a favorable report on the bill sponsored by Senator James F. Byrnes of South Carolina and passed by the Senate on August 22, 1935, "making it a felony to transport in interstate commerce."

The text of the bill is short, concise, and pungent with meaning. It reads:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whoever shall knowingly transport or cause to be transported, or aid or abet in transporting, in interstate or foreign commerce, any articles are transported from any State by their employers, who are captains and lieutenants, to enhance their men, and furnish weapons of clubs, brass knuckles, firearms. Their entry on the premises shall be considered as any labor disturbance usually.

or foreign commerce, any person with intent to employ such person to obstruct or interfere, in any manner, with the right of peaceful picketing during any labor controversy affecting wages, hours, or conditions of labor, or

the right of organization for the purpose of collective bargaining, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$5,000, or by imprisonment not exceeding two years.

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STRIKEBREAKING AGENCIES VITAL SPOTS UNDERLYING INDUSTRIAL UNREST

A. F. of L. President Exposes and Denounces Reprehensible Practices, Stating These Result in Blocking Free Speech and Assembly, and For the Purpose of Crushing Workers' Organizations—Says Genesis of Anti-Union Campaign Had Origin in Post-War Open Shop Drive by Steel Manufacturers in 1920-21.

Frederic William Green of the American Federation of Labor presented voluminous first-hand evidence showing nationwide ramifications of the activities of private detective agencies and labor spies. A. F. of L. President Robert L. Follette is chairman. Mr. Green also introduced evidence showing the secret activities of large employing groups, designed to crush the workers' efforts of self-organization.

"Invasion of Fundamental Liberties," President Green went into detail in his exposure and denunciation of these reprehensible practices. Said he: "Free speech and free assembly have been blocked. The workers have been freed by the activities of spies, stool pigeons and undercover agents, who have operated on a nationwide basis. Like a malignant cancerous growth, this anti-union activity has penetrated into the very core of the workers' existence. It has undermined their morale and scattered the seeds of revolt."

After expressing the hope that the work of the investigating committee would be productive of good results, Mr. Green declared that the genesis of the current anti-union campaign had its origin in the post-war open shop drive of 1920-21. Steel manufacturers have been the major offenders in this respect, he declared. He described the picture of economic chaos in which that decade had ended, as a result of this union destroying campaign upon the part of the principal steel manufacturers, led by the Westinghouse Company.

Industrial Progress Encouraged Through Formation of Council

Industrial Progress is the order of the day. This spirit has given force and impetus to the efforts of the Portland Council, organized for that particular function. This has in view the establishment of new industries in Maine and the assistance and guidance of those other industries which need a little special help and encouragement just at this time of national stress.

As the 45th city in the United States to sponsor the Street Railway Commission, Portland is making a laudable effort to plan into the most speedy and efficient operation. Prominent among those who are closest to the movement are Robert Braun, retired merchant; City Manager, E. Barlow, and various members of the Portland City Council. Executive officers are Henry A. Bonell, Charles F. Stines and H. N. McDougall.

The Council for Industrial Progress, which is organized on a non-profit basis, is working closely in harmony with the Portland Chamber of Commerce. It will comprise a fiscal branch for the purpose of extending financial accommodation to successful enterprises as meet with the approval of the Council, acting in its fiduciary capacity.

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Veteran Member of Street Car Men's Union at Queen's Hospital

It is regrettable to report the serious illness of Brother Michael McCarrick of Street Railway Employees' Division 714, who was stricken May 7.

Interior improvements being made at the Portland City Hospital have resulted in the employment of a considerable number of union carpenters and other tradesmen in the nature of remodeling and enlarging the hospital building. The work includes the building of new wards, the modernizing of the kitchen and other types of business structures, as well as the building of new dormitories and other improvements on the grounds, all of which are to be completed by the end of the year.

Portland C. L. U.'s Ball
at Legion Gardens
on Friday, June 19

The Portland Central Labor Union has completed arrangements for their annual ball which is to be held at Legion Gardens, South Portland, on Friday, June 19.

The committee, assisted by Alfred Brock, secretary of Eastern Union, Sylvester, chairman, Lester M. Bradford, Philip Jordan, John DeBorja and Sam Fernald, has arranged for an excellent program and all union members are urged to attend.

"Phil" Place Elected
Chairman of Stewart
P. Morrill Post, A. L.

Michael McCarrick, a veteran member of the Street Car Men's Union, Division 714, was stricken with a serious illness on May 7.

He is now confined to St. Luke's Hospital, where he is being treated by Dr. J. E. Woodard. Mr. McCarrick was a member of the Portland Central Labor Union, Division 714, and was a member of the Street Car Men's Union, Division 714.

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sent to each Government having jurisdiction in the U. S. A. Eastman will then have to decide whether it will, or will not, ratify such a recommendation of the Conference merely recommends a definite plan to the nations for consideration by the workers.

A long list of proposals, in the opinion of all of them having to do with the betterment of labor conditions, minimum wages, and protective measures for the health and safety of the workers.

James A. Wilson, former president of the Pattern Makers' Guild, and now in the U. S. Government as a delegate.

St. Louis delegates, representing 32 local unions of musicians from all parts of New England, at their semi-annual convention held in the Biltmore Hotel, Portland, last Sunday, selected Vincent G. Cantorini of Providence for president, and all other officers, without opposition.

The convention reports of delegates from all localities indicated increased activities over last year, and that matters are shaping themselves to the satisfaction of many members. The delegates also reported that they have suffered greatly from unemployment during the past year, and that they are now in a position to begin their work again.

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Years ago "carriage trade" meant a "liveried coachman" and a "Victoria." Today it means motor car and baby buggy. You'll find both parked at A. & P. Stores. The motor car trade indicates the careful buying of women who prefer to see what they buy and who are not ashamed to save a dollar by paying cash and carrying their own bundle. The "baby-buggy trade" shows the confidence that the mothers have in the quality of A. & P. Food, and how much the modern housewife appreciates A. & P. Savings.

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| BORDEN'S CHEESE | except Swiss | 2 1/2 lb. pkgs. 29c |
| ROOT BEER EXTRACT | Hiawatha | 3-oz. bottle 21c |
| BISSQUICK | Gold Medal | 4-oz. pkg. 29c |
| SHREDDED WHEAT | NBC | 2 1/2-lb. pkgs. 23c |
| ROLLED OATS | Sunfield | 12-oz. pkg. 15c |
| DEL MONTE PEARS | | 29-oz. can 19c |
| PEAS | Morning Sun | 2 20-oz. cans 23c |
| IONA LIMA BEANS | | 4 16-oz. cans 19c |
| RED BEANS | Sulana | 4 16-oz. cans 25c |
| RED KIDNEY BEANS | Sulana | 4 16-oz. cans 19c |
| KETCHUP | Ann Page | 2 8-oz. bottles 15c |
| ENCORE OLIVES | Stuffed | point 45c |
| ENCORE OLIVES | Plain | point 31c |
| PINK SALMON | | 24-oz. can 10c |
| LUX | For All Fine Laundering | 12 1/2-oz. pkg. 21c |
| GRAPEJUICE | Canned | 20-oz. can 15c |
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| HEINZ SOUPS | 2 16-oz. cans 25c |
| HEINZ CONSUME & CLAM CHOWDER | 2 16-oz. cans 25c |
| HEINZ PICKLES | 2 24-oz. jars 21c |
| HEINZ RICE FLAKES | 2 4 1/2-oz. pkgs. 21c |

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10-oz. pkg. 10c

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The Central Labor Union of Woodland, whose organizations and members are employed and reside in Washington County, are having nothing new to make the 1936 convention of the Maine State Federation of Labor to be held in Calais from June 8th to 11th, one of the most successful in



CLIFFORD G. CHASE
State Representative of Washington County, Who Will Address Sessions

the history of the Labor movement in the Pine Tree State, both from the standpoint of educational value and entertainment features as well.

This is the first time in about 15 years that a State Branch convention has been held in Calais, and those who participated in the sessions at that time will include many who plan to attend the forthcoming gathering, over that it was one of the best of kind ever held under the auspices of any local central body.

Men outstanding in the Labor movement, and leaders in political and civic affairs of Calais and nearby places will be among the principal speakers at the convention, as well as officers of the State Federation, and of the Central Labor Union of Woodland.

The Chamber of Commerce of Calais is cooperating with the local and county committees for the success of this convocation. The committee reports that one of the highlights of the convention, sponsored by the C. of C., will be an automobile tour to Eastport, where the Quoddy Dam project will

be inspected and where the delegates and visitors will be entertained to a shore dinner.

Wilfred Gagnon of Woodland, who is vice-president in charge of the 14th District of the Maine State Federation of Labor, embracing the organizations in Washington County, is reviewing the cooperation from officers and members of the Central Labor Union in making arrangements for the convention. Officers of the C. L. U. are: William Shea, president; James M. Cluskey, vice-president; John A. Doolan, secretary; and Harry S. Town, treasurer.

Officials of Paper Makers Local 146, whose membership includes employees of the St. Croix Paper Co. are: Charles Casey, president; E. J. Wahl, vice-president; E. McLaughlin, secretary; F. D. Johnson, treasurer; and P. Murphy, guard.

Officials of the Pulp, Sulphate and Paper Mill Workers Local 25 of Woodland, which seem to be the employees of the paper mill in that community, are: William Shea, president; Harvey Wilkins, vice-president; James P. secretary; and Maxine E. treasurer. Harold S. is secretary.

All members of the Woodland Central Labor Union and the delegates and friends are invited to attend the opening sessions of the convention to greet the delegates and visitors, and is expected many will come to the opening affairs to participate in the convention.

The St. Croix Paper Co. is represented by the Governor, Council and General by Irving I. Ross, a well known Maine hotel man, who is the St. Croix Paper Co. representative for the convention.

Arrangements have been made to hold the convention at the St. Croix Hotel, which is a very fine hostelry recently completely remodeled.

Scalpers on the convention will take place in Newcomb Hall, which has been donated for this gathering by Cole Bridge, prominent Calais business man, who operates a garage and service station on the ground floor of this building.

All business firms of Calais and particularly those represented on this page, are cooperating to the fullest to make the convention a big success. The facilities of their establishments are open to the delegates and visitors.

who will find a diversity of places to eat, easily beverages, and to buy what ever needed things are necessary during their stay in Calais.

Has Good Record on Labor Measures in Legislature

State Representative Clifford G. Chase of Barre, who is a candidate for reelection on the Republican ticket, is well known to members of organized labor throughout the State of Maine through his activities in their behalf as chairman of the House Labor Committee.

Mr. Chase, who is employed by the St. Croix Paper Company, has the support not only of members of organized labor in his district, but the rank and file of people in all walks of life, who are appreciative of the fine work he has done in behalf of his constituents.



WILFRED GAGNON
Vice-President of Fourth District, Maine State Federation of Labor and Chairman of Convention Committee.

of Washington County and for the benefit of the entire State as well. Representative Chase has done everything he could in cooperation with the convention committee, and has accepted an invitation to be one of the speakers at the sessions.

His conviction means much to his constituents, and it can best be ascertained through active work on his behalf as head of friends.

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Turning Point Concerning Depressions

Secretary of Commerce Tells U. S. Chamber of Commerce of Wonderful Business Gains Made Since 1933

If any doubt had remained about the turning point of the depression having been reached, with the upward swing now in progress, the address of Secretary of Commerce Daniel C. Roper to members of the United States Chamber of Commerce, should settle that question, despite the open and avowed hostility of that body to the present Administration.

Quoting Secretary Roper, the following striking improvements in the general economic situation since 1933 are sufficient to justify the natural optimism which such a record affords:

Industrial production increased 42 per cent; factory employment gained 41 per cent; factory payrolls increased 95 per cent; cash income from farm markets, exclusive of benefit payments, increased 45 per cent; department store sales increased 38 per cent; freight carloadings, 25 per cent; stock market prices (421 companies) 129 per cent.

Added to this is an increase of 104 per cent in foreign trade. As to the national income, that has increased by about 15 billion dollars, from 1932 to 1935. Mr. Roper goes on to cheerfully say that, for the first time in six years, business enterprise as a whole is maintaining current operations and paying dividends, without drawing upon capital or other sources, to make up deficits.

It is evident that Secretary Roper is giving main thought to the economic side of the New Deal question, whereas the Chamber of Commerce is stressing political opposition. If Mr. Roper's statement is true, and it is officially sponsored, the New Deal has resulted in greatly benefiting industry as a whole, and the vicious opposition manifested by business representatives at the C. of C. convention is regarded as absolutely unfair.

This opposition is so inconsistent with facts regarding tremendous business gains made in all lines during the past two years as to make itself ridiculous in the eyes of all fair-minded people.

Internal Revenue Receipts Tell the Story

Unprecedented Increase in One Year Shows Nation Is Making Good Progress Notwithstanding the False Arguments Advanced by Opponents of New Deal.

Internal revenue collections for the first nine months of the present fiscal year have reached the unexpected height of \$2,457,000,000. On the basis of these collections, estimates are made that Uncle Sam will collect a total of \$3,540,000,000 by the time the fiscal year ends on June 30.

On the nine-month report, this year has gained \$186,320,000 over the same period of 1935. What makes this gratifying increase all the more remarkable is the fact that processing taxes have dropped \$334,504,000 in the same period.

Income taxes for the nine months have brought in \$1,640,207,294. This is an increase of more than \$242,000,000 over the yield of income taxes in the first nine months of last year.

Liquor taxes brought over \$369,000,000, a gain of just under \$69,000,000 over the receipts from this source in the same period last year. Tobacco taxes were well over \$368,000,000; a gain of \$31,464,000. Cigarettes are responsible for most of this, bringing in \$311,778,000; a gain of \$30,000,000 over last year.

In view of the loud cries of anguish from corporation lawyers and overworked millionaires, three taxes are of special in-

terest. The capital stock tax this year yielded just under \$94,000,000, a gain of more than \$3,000,000 over the receipts of the same period a year ago. Estate taxes produced \$152,000,000; and practically one-third of the total sum was gained over the previous year. And the gift tax, which stops or at least makes difficult evasions of the income tax, and which money-bags never weary in cursing, yielded \$154,751,457; a gain of \$87,119,478.

More Talk Relative to Constitutional Rights

And Now It's Allied Chemicals That Would Hide Behind Sacred Document in Effort to Keep Its Business Dealings Free From Publicity.

The Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation has filed suit in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals to have the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 declared unconstitutional. Of the five "reasons" which the company gives for this action, only two are worth considering. Allied Chemical alleges that the Constitution of the United States gives Congress no power to regulate the exchange of securities. But above all and beyond all, Allied Chemical cries aloud that the SEC is trying to pry into the corporation's secrets, and would publish its private affairs to the world.

It is about time for Congress to declare that a corporation has no secrets or private affairs; and to make that declaration good. A corporation is an agency created by public fiat. Without the favoring will of public authority, no corporation could exist. The people have a right to insist that the books and records of their creature shall be wide open to inspection by public authorities.

It is time, too, to remind the business world that when public authority creates a corporation, it does so in the expectation of public benefits. These often do not materialize; more often still they are charged for at extortionate rates. The least that a sensible public can demand of a corporation is assurance that the public will not be gypped in the future as it has been gypped in the past; and that requires publicity for all corporation affairs.

As for the quibble that the Constitution does not give Congress authority to regulate securities exchanges when every such exchange lives on interstate patronage, one need only say that another amendment to the Constitution would seem to be very much in order. The pretension of Federal courts to set aside acts demanded by the people, passed by the Congress and signed by the President, never rested on any basis but usurpation, which is fast becoming intolerable.

Observance of Agreements All Important

Sacredness of Trade Union Contracts Held as Most Essential for Maintenance of Reputation, Standing, and Honor of Labor Movement.

Collective bargaining and the observance of wage agreements is the fundamental principle of the organized labor movement. Failure on the part of trade unionists to observe this principle strikes at the very roots of bona fide trade unionism.

The importance of this policy recently arose in England in connection with an unauthorized or unofficial work stoppage by the employees of a garage of the London Passenger Transport Board, with which the Transport and General Workers' Union has agreements. The grievances of the men were in process of being adjusted by the Executive Council of the union. Despite these negotiations, the men took the matter directly into their own hands and quit work.

Ernest Bevin, president of the union, issued a statement declaring that the action of the garage employees was "without authority from the union," and was, therefore, "a breach of the rules and constitution of the union." In warning against the practice of unauthorized strikes and the necessity of observing union agreements, Mr. Bevin said:

"The union holds a number of agreements with the London Passenger Transport Board which have been negotiated through machinery voluntarily accepted on both sides.

"It is the duty of the union to see that these agreements are observed.

"The union and the members have certain responsibilities as well as certain rights, and regard must be had to both.

"The issue that now confronts us is whether the union shall be allowed to function and carry out its agreements, or members will use their own arms, or members against being misled into following a course which can only result in weakening their organization, jeopardizing their agreements, and bringing into disrepute the machinery for negotiation which has been built up over a period of years and has been effectively used on their behalf.

"The members now out are instructed

to return to work and others to continue at work."

The position taken by Mr. Bevin in regard to the sacredness of trade union contracts was emphasized by the 1935 convention of the American Federation of Labor, which approved a declaration by the Executive Council that "when contracts are finally negotiated between the representatives of employers and of employees, it becomes the duty, in fact, the obligation, of all parties to signed agreements to comply with said agreements, to carry them out and to maintain them inviolate." The Executive Council added that all wage agreements negotiated, accepted and signed "represent solemn covenants that cannot be disregarded and violated without sacrificing reputation, standing and honor."

A PERSONAL ENDORSEMENT

There is a conflict of understanding regarding William Green's endorsement of President Roosevelt's re-election. Mr. Green stated emphatically, when announcing advocacy of re-electing the President, that this was his personal choice, and that by no means was he speaking for the American Federation of Labor.

Mr. Green's decision in taking this stand, however, it is certain, voices the sentiments of the great majority of members of trade unions, who are in full realization regarding the benefits derived by Labor in general during his administration, and as a consequence felt wholly justified in giving the President his unqualified endorsement.

Had vicious opponents of the President been able to witness the enthusiasm with which his name was reviewed when mentioned by the writer at a meeting of

more than 100 members of a nearby local union last Sunday, they would realize the hallyloo they are trying to stuff down the throats of working people is having little or no effect in turning them against the President.

The ravings of the Mulligans, Lawrences and Longworths, the vicious opposition on the part of the Liberty League and big business, are given little or no attention, the great rank and file of workers seeming to look upon this as just so much propaganda, and in which they take little stock.

EFFECTS OF RECENT FLOODS

Dr. Alfred Weed tells the world—through the American Institute of Sanitation, that the floods this Spring will be a menace to health this Fall. The floods left countless pools behind; these are perfect breeding places for mosquitoes; and mosquitoes carry malaria.

All true—but not the whole truth, and the part that Dr. Weed left out is cheering. Mosquitoes are a pest, of course; but over a majority of the flood area, they cannot carry malaria, for the excellent reason that there is no malaria to carry. On the eastern seaboard and in the Appalachian region, there is no known malaria north of the Potomac; and in the Mississippi Valley, southern Missouri and possibly the tip of Illinois, are the northern limit for the Plasmodium malariae.

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Constitution Adopted at Passaic Convention Placed the Organization Squarely on Record in Favor of Industrial Unionism and Established a Statistical Bureau for Purpose of Keeping on Record Complete Data Relating to Wages, Hours and Working Conditions—Favor American Youth Act.

Passaic, N. J., May 2.—We are organized for the purpose of bringing more closely together the workers engaged in every branch of the Woollen and Worsted industry to advance our mutual interests as working men and working women.

"We do so because we realize that in this industrial age workers cannot earn a decent living through their individual effort or on the basis of their individual skill as a worker."

"We take note that the manufacturers are organized and cooperate to advance their profit interests at the expense of the worker. Only if the workers learn to cease being helpless tools of the employers, and cooperate through a vigorous union, can they hope to win improvements for themselves and make the world a better place to live in."

"It is our aim to win improved wages, shorter hours of work, and to eliminate the sweatshop in every form as well as establishing more sanitary conditions of work. We further aim to advance a moral, educational and social condition of the workers in the Woollen and Worsted industry, together with the rest of the workers of the Textile industry as a whole. We prescribe on our banner the watchword: An injury to one is the concern of all."

In order to achieve the above, we pledge ourselves to cooperate in the building of a strong, unified labor movement through industrial form of organization which will defend the interests of the workers of this country."

Thus with the above preamble definitely establishing the purpose, the Federation of Woollen and Worsted Workers of America, affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America, meeting here in two-day convention, adopted a permanent constitution and launched a drive for a complete organization of the workers in the industry.

Special appropriations were voted to aid in the organization work in Lawrence and Passaic.

It was pointed out to the 150 delegates from more than 60 local unions in the New England States, New York and New Jersey, that only through the force of strong organization could the Federation be in a position to stabilize industry, through uniformity in wages and conditions and reductions of working hours.

In a resolution passed by the convention, the delegates instructed the secretary-treasurer, Anthony A. Valente to obtain all data on wages and work prices to be compiled into a new price list.

One of the features of the new laws of the organization providing for a biennial election of officers with the officers selected one year and the active board elected the second year.

CHILD LABOR, EXILED BY NRA, HAS MOVED TO CANADA, IS CHARGE

Sweating of Workers in Home Under Contract System Has Produced Slave Conditions, Ontario Minister of Labor Declares in Urging Home-Work Regulation Measure Before Parliament.

Toronto, May 6 (AP)—When child labor was abolished in the United States by the NRA it moved up into Canada on a new scale, taking the form of sweating the workers in the home under a contract system, which has produced conditions tantamount to slavery."

So said David A. Croft, Minister of Labor in the Ontario government, in moving the Minimum Wage Bill to the Ontario Legislature. The bill is to regulate wages and conditions of work done in the home under contract.

The amendment gives the government jurisdiction over home work for money, and heretofore permits will have to be taken out in all parts of Ontario, and recently kept of hours of work and payment received. It shall be the duty of the Board to take measures to insure decent wages and reasonable working hours.

The Minister said the irony of this situation was that many of these workers were poor and of necessity. No one could live on the returns they receive for long hours of work. Dire poverty was the only explanation why human beings accepted such low rates of pay.

Mr. Croft cited a contract to make 12 pairs of babies' bodies, and the home sweatshop worker was about four days in filling the order. Forty five cents for four days' work.

NEW YORK MINIMUM WAGE LAW NOW BEFORE U. S. SUPREME COURT

Washington, D. C., May 6 (AP)—A brief filed with the United States Supreme Court by the New York State minimum wage law for women and children, is now before the U. S. Supreme Court.

The document, signed by Paul J. Connelley, New York City corporation counsel, declared that publication of the law "would be attended by consequences of unusual gravity."

It is a very obvious truth," the brief said, "that when women are working full time for an employer and are not being paid a subsistence wage, the difference must come from some other source if life is to be sustained. That other source is obtained, usually in the most public and visible manner."

"Subsides are legitimate and desirable," the brief added, "when paid."

Labor Board Declines to Meddle With Jurisdiction Disputes

The National Labor Relations Board announced that it would not undertake to settle disputes between trade unions regarding jurisdiction. This announcement was made in a decision involving machine fitters employed by the Axon-Fisher Tobacco Company and the Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. of Louisville, Ky.

The National Labor Relations Board also by the International Association of Machinists.

The National Labor Relations Board authorities the Labor Board "to determine, under certain conditions, what group of workers constitutes a unit appropriate for the purposes of collective bargaining. Specifically, the present dispute is between the Machinists' Union, as such, and the Tobacco Workers' Union, in their opposing claims for complete plant jurisdiction."

The board believes it should not intervene. In taking this action, the board is following a precedent set by itself in the widely publicized "Aluminum case" where a similar jurisdictional dispute brought about the policy of non-intervention.

In its summing up, the Board concluded as follows:

"This dispute resembles hundreds of other jurisdictional questions handled by the Federation, and is clearly of a type which it has the power to decide. Under these conditions, the Board believes it should not intervene. In taking this action, the board is following a precedent set by itself in the widely publicized 'Aluminum case' where a similar jurisdictional dispute brought about the policy of non-intervention."

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Coal Strike is Averted by Extending Present Agreement

New York, N. Y., May 6 (AP)—A strike of around 100,000 anthracite coal miners was averted when officials of the United Mine Workers of America and the anthracite operators, after a conference with Edward E. McCleary, Assistant Secretary of Labor, agreed that operations were to be continued under the present contract pending further negotiations.

Mr. McCleary acted as the direct representative of Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

John L. Lewis, president of the union, immediately sent telegrams to the operators asking them to comply with the agreement and to resume work. The strike was to have begun on May 1.

The old agreement expired on April 1 and the new one was not yet in effect. The new agreement was to be in effect for 12 months, while negotiations were in progress.

The conference, which began on February 21, is mainly divided into

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Representative Henry Ellenbogen of Pennsylvania, sponsor of the Ellenbogen textile control bill, strongly urged the American Federation of Hosiery Workers to back the re-election of President Roosevelt.

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VICE-PRESIDENT RIVIERE TO ADDRESS TEXTILE MEETINGS IN BRUNSWICK AND WATERVILLE IN BIG MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

In compliance with requests from local Textile Unions through the Maine Textile Council, at its convention held in Brunswick May 9th, Vice-President Horace A. Riviere of the United Textile Workers of America will inaugurate an intensive organization drive with addresses at two mass meetings, one to be held in Brunswick on Wednesday, and at Waterville on Thursday.

In connection with this effort to stimulate interest in organization work, Mr. Riviere will explain in detail action taken by the Woolen and Worsted Federation of America, which at its conference in Providence this month, launched an intensive campaign for establishment of the 35-hour work week and a 25 per cent increase in wages.

Contrary to news published in Portland and other papers, this is not intended to be a general strike in the industry, as it will not affect those concerns which have voluntarily accepted the union, or those with whom relations are such that make collective bargaining possible. Rather, it will affect concerns known as "children," who refuse to meet with their union employees and where wages, hours and working conditions are in accordance with prevailing rates.

Mr. Riviere will also advise local unions that strikes will be called only when the local favor this method, and only after all other means have been exhausted. Unions in all parts of the State will be urged to call mass meetings and invite non-members to attend. This is for the purpose of explaining details not only to members but to non-members as well.

All local unions received during the past week letters from Secretary-Treasurer Valente of the Federation of Woolen and Worsted Workers, and it is on this communication that Vice-President Riviere will largely base his talks.

Included in Mr. Riviere's visit to Brunswick will be to discuss the grievance of Local 225 against the Cabot Manufacturing Co., which is the outcome of the recent strike and the Federal court order obtained by the company restraining the Federal Labor Relations Board from conducting a public hearing on complaints regarding violation of the fair trade practices act, the complaint being that the company had refused to bargain collectively with representatives of Local 225.

Attention will also be given to child and pillow case mills, in which progress has been made in the way of organization. It is felt confident that the campaign inaugurated by Vice-President Riviere will result in great augmenting the membership in this State, thereby greatly facilitating the program outlined by the Federation.

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ness rent application and fee of \$25 for each such mill, and \$25 more at the next meeting.

Transportation to be furnished all workers on out-of-town jobs, with addition of board and lodging if workers cannot return daily to homes. No person to be considered as a contractor unless he employs one or more men the major portion of the year (or later to be performed on Saturday per between the hours of 12 o'clock Saturday morning until 12 o'clock Sunday morning. No salary union to be allowed.

The agreement was signed for Local 541 by Clarence H. Burgess, president

The Robert Daggetts Leave Waterville to Reside in Oakland

Robert E. Daggett, former-president of the Maine State Federation of Labor who during his tenure in office did much to project the organization to the fore in all sections of the State has moved from Waterville to the neighboring town of Oakland, where he and Mrs. Daggett have acquired a farm at their future home.

His brother, Daggett, who resided in Waterville for many years, is well known among all classes of citizens, and particularly by members of organized labor, having for many years been prominently identified with the movement in that city.

The building trades in Waterville are experiencing a gain as well as in other parts of the State. Employment is being provided for skilled workers on many new projects and in repair and remodeling work as well.

George J. Jorgensen, organizer for the United Textile Workers of America, who resides in Waterville, has been busily engaged the past few weeks on union affairs that have taken place in the city.

Members of the Typographical Union here, including employees of the Waterville Southern Paper Co., are planning to have a picnic either this Summer.

Painters' Local 541 Negotiates Agreement With Local Concerns

The following contains the substantial terms of a working agreement signed between Local 541 of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers, and the employers on factors of Augusta and Hallowell. It went into effect on April 1, 1936, and is to continue for a year, or until a new contract shall be mutually agreed upon.

Joseph G. Ricker, who has been in business for more than 20 years, is reflected who has in the past been a member of Local 541 and is known as a man of high character and reputation, which qualities also apply to this work in general. The specific terms of the agreement follow:

"Eight hours to constitute a day's work, and 40 hours to constitute the working week. Journeyman rate to be 25 cents per hour or six dollars per day, time and one-half for all overtime. Double time for Sundays and holidays. The apprentice for every five journeymen, or fraction thereof, no journeyman to take any contract work but will be allowed to work when unemployed by the day at contractors' wages, namely, 50 cents per hour, or \$7.20 per day. Violations on the part of journeyman or contractor, to be penalized at \$5 per day while engaged in such work. Contractors finding it necessary to employ non-members of the organization to be required to file with the Dist.

Other Means Than Sales Tax Needed to Finance Schools

Much interest centers about the double problem of financing the local public schools and deciding the proper method of the "sales tax". It is freely given out that many cities must have additional aid, or increased taxes, to finance the existing system of free public schools.

One means of meeting this emergency is by a readjusted basis of compensation for teachers and principals in such schools. State aid, in the matter of transportation of pupils to and from certain outlying districts, is also advocated. Over all it looms the shadow of national financial assistance, with its concurrent measure of national control of local public schools.

The sales tax, which has been from time to time advocated as a ready means of raising revenue, is opposed by organized labor, being one of the measures opposed at the last session of the Legislature, as tending to increase the cost of living, already horrendously high. The next Legislature will have to grapple with these questions, which have been rendered acute by the continued depression.

C. C. Coffin to Represent Theatrical Employees' 624 at K. C. Convention

At the last regular meeting of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Operators, Local 624 of A. F. of M., it was voted to be represented at the annual convention of the International Alliance, to be held in Kansas City, Mo., during the week beginning June 8th, and Brother C. C. Coffin was elected as a delegate.

Mr. Coffin will make the trip to Kansas City by automobile, and will have as companions, Brothers John Burns of Lowell and Dick Lawler of Portland, who will represent their respective locals at the convention.

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DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR TELLS TEXTILE COUNCIL MEMBERS HE WILL FAVOR SOCIAL LEGISLATION MEASURES

Harold DuBord Says in Event of His Election, Advocacy of Unemployment Insurance and Other Legislation Would Be Among His First Acts—Delegates Make Interesting Reports Regarding Business and Conditions Concerning Affiliated Local Unions.

One of his first acts, in the event that Harold DuBord will be elected Governor, will be to present to the Legislature a bill for unemployment insurance. He presented the bill to the Maine Textile Council in January, and Harold DuBord, of Waterville, in addressing a large gathering of delegates and visitors at the May meeting of the Maine Textile Council held in Brunswick, Iowa on Saturday May 9th.

He also discussed the social security act, explaining the various forms of unemployment insurance, old age pensions, and old age annuities, care of the blind and dependent children, and that if he becomes Governor he would work for adequate legislation along these lines.

"It is my understanding," he said, "that the laws of the State of Maine in regard to dependent children and the blind are not considered adequate to meet the requirements of the federal law. However, a temporary arrangement has been worked out whereby financial assistance has already been given to the State."

While Maine already has an old age pension law, it is not broad enough. It will be improved if I am elected, and when this law has had an opportunity to function, it will eliminate that fear of old age which comes from the fear of depending on relatives or welfare organizations for support and will be of benefit to the morale of the individual because the recipients will feel that the payment are their own and not charity.

Advancing the members of the council to see the choice of men for public office, Mr. DuBord said: "You should look not to the declaration of a political campaign, but to the record of the individual, because the record should back through his life an honest and honest record with an interest in the things in which you are interested."

At the business meeting which preceded Mr. DuBord's talk, reports of delegates from 15 textile centers in all parts of the State varied as to the state of trade and prevailing conditions as regards wages, hours, and working rules.

There was much said regarding the payment of monthly dues and also the condition of local treasuries, because of the maintenance of low union dues. Resolutions were made on other subjects.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION DELEGATES TO STATE BRANCH CONVENTION IN CALAIS WILL NOMINATE BANGOR FOR 1937 MEETING

The Central Labor Union of Bangor, through its delegation that will attend this year's convention of the Maine State Federation of Labor to be held in Calais, will formally present an invitation to the organization to hold its 1937 sessions in the "Queen City of Maine," according to informed quarters.

That the executive committee of the Maine State Federation will take favorable action on Bangor's anticipated request for next year's convention is expected, in that it was firmly through the withdrawal of this prior claim of the Queen City in favor of Calais that this year's sessions are being held under the auspices of the Woodland Central Labor Union.

There are two executives from Bangor in the present set-up of officers of the Maine State Federation of Labor, one being Richard W. Gustin, treasurer of the organization, and Benjamin J. Borsky, vice-president in charge of the fifth district. Both have been active in the furtherance of the organization work during the past year and especially in building up the Central Labor Union of this city, which today is one of the strongest units of its kind in the State.

The several thousand union men in Penobscot County living within the fishing arms of Bangor, and who are largely employed in paper mills and some textile centers, as well as in cigar, shoe and other industries, in addition to the building trades, railroads, etc., are at the present time benefiting by the general business improvement in this section of the State, noticeably through increased tonnage of the shipyards and railroads, and the promising outlook for the season indicated through the activity of the wholesale business. Retail trade is also showing marked gains, and with the summer tourist trade in the offing, this holds promise of bettering last year's record.

Working Girls Overtime Set Bangor Shoe Co. Back \$50 and Costs

On complaint of State Labor Commissioner Charles O. Brada, the Philco

Shoe Company of Bangor was found guilty by Judge Clinton C. Stevens of working women more than the allotted 54 hours a week and a fine of \$50 and costs was imposed.

A second charge of failure to keep a time-book for minors under 18 years of age, was continued, as the maximum penalty had been applied in the first court.

E. MILLINOCKET MEMBERS PROTEST MAKING OF REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER CONVICT LABOR CONDITIONS

That it is most inconsistent on the part of the State of Maine to have its motor registration plates made by convicts, is the opinion expressed by Emma L. Nesbit, recording secretary of Midway Paper Makers' Local 152, who writes Secretary Clarence R. Burgess of the Maine State Federation of Labor as follows:

"On our last regular meeting I was instructed to write you regarding the manufacture of registration plates for motor vehicles. We understood that they are made at Thomaston, by convict labor, which if true, we feel that such conditions are unethical."

"There are at present hundreds of unemployed men, who are able and willing to work and those men with no 'criminal records' are surely deserving of a chance to work and support their families."

"For quite some time the city has been busy with the State, and do not buy products made by convict labor. We all wear mills in the State were to buy foreign pulp wood, cut by convict labor, the State would have a few hundred more charges to take care of."

"The way conditions are now, if a person wishes to run a motor vehicle he must purchase the product of a convict labor."

"We feel that a large majority of the people of the State agree that this condition should be corrected."

What is needed in the Philco plant is a strong organization of employees affiliated with the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union of America. Such an organization does not exist in shops where the union has contractual relations and the quicker shoe workers realize this the quicker will their conditions be improved.

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Contract now for your next winter's supply of BANGOR COKE, and you don't have to pay a single penny now. PAY NEXT WINTER, as you get your COKE, and then only after each delivery and only for the amount delivered.

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| JUNKET KENNY DESSERT POWDER | 2 PKGS 21c |
| RICHMOND CUT WAX | 3 No 3 TINS 29c |
| DEL MONTE SARDINES | 3 No 3 TINS 25c |
| MIDCO ICE FREEZE | TIN 10c |
| RUMFORD BAKING POWDER | 12 1/2 oz 21c |
| PHILLIP'S SOUPS | 4 KINDS 10c |
| G. WASHINGTON COFFEE | 11 1/2 oz 39c |
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SPONGE CAKE

Featured at saving prices all this week. Let us suggest a strawberry shortcake made with sponge layers

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